



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For: 5,7,7-Trimethyloctannitril

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and §1.98

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §56, Applicants hereby notify the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the following documents for the above-identified application which were cited by the Examiner in the corresponding German application. Copies of the documents set forth below and listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, are provided herewith.

1. WO 02/081614 A1 (Perring et al) entitled "Perfume Compositions" published October 17, 2002.
2. US Patent No. 4,640,787 (Schuettenberg) entitled "Gasoline Compositions Containing Branched Chain

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Amines or Derivatives Thereof" issued February 3,
1987.

Document 1

Document 1 is in the English language.

According to the German Examiner, Document 1 discloses a general formula encompassing the claimed substance of Claim 1. Furthermore, the German Examiner indicated that the reference also teaches the use of the substance of Claim 1 in fragrance materials, thus their use in bleach compositions would be covered.

Document 2

Document 2 is in the English language.

According to the German Examiner, Document 2 discloses in column 1, lines 47-49, that 5,7,7-trimethyloctannitril maybe produced by reacting diisobutylene with acrylonitrile and hydrogenating the product.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (1) no later than three months from the application's filing date, or (2) before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits (whichever is later) and, therefore, no Certification Under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is required.

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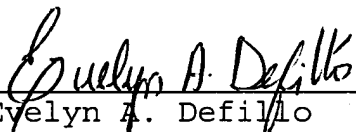
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competent reference against the claims of the present application.

Applicant respectfully requests that the listed documents be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

Respectfully submitted,



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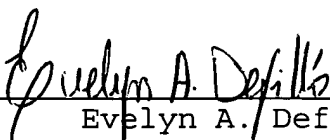
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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE

I hereby certify that the foregoing INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT, Form PTO-1449, including two (2) documents, for U.S. Application No. 10/684,726 filed October 14, 2003, were deposited in first class U.S. mail, postage prepaid, Mail Stop: DD, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this **11th day of February, 2004.**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required at any time during the prosecution of this application, except for the issue fee, without specific authorization, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 16-0877.



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